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BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF SECURITIES AND INSURANCE, MONTANA STATE AUDITOR STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF:)) CASE NO. INS-2012-28
LAWRENCE L. SKAWINSKI AND LAWRENCE R. SKAWINSKI,) CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER
Respondents.)))

This Consent Agreement and Final Order (Agreement) is entered into by the Office of the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor (CSI), acting pursuant to the authority of the Montana Insurance Code, Mont. Code Ann. § 33-1-101, et seq. (Code), and Lawrence L. Skawinski and Lawrence R. Skawinski (Respondents).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the CSI received a complaint from an insurer regarding Respondents' misstatements to the insurer;

WHEREAS, the CSI alleged Respondents violated Mont. Code Ann. § 33-1-1201(1) and Mont. Code Ann. § 33-1-1201(2) by submitting unsubstantiated Additional Living Expenses to an insurer;

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WHEREAS, the Respondents did not receive the Additional Living Expenses,

WHEREAS, the Respondents were denied coverage not related to the Additional Living Expenses because of the unsubstantiated requests, and

WHEREAS, the CSI and the Respondents agree that the best interests of the public would be served by entering into this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual undertakings contained in this Agreement, the CSI and the Respondents hereby agree to settle this matter pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

STIPULATIONS AND CONSENTS

- I. Without admitting or denying any of the CSI's allegations, the Respondents stipulate and consent to the following:
 - A. Within ten days from the execution of this Agreement, the Respondents shall pay a fine of \$250 each, for a total of \$500. Such payment should be made payable to the Montana State Auditor and sent to the Office of the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor, c/o Brett O'Neil, Attorney, 840 Helena Avenue, Helena, MT 59601.
 - B. The Respondents shall continue to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Code, and all regulations of the state of Montana.
 - C. The Respondents fully and forever release and discharge the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor (Commissioner), the CSI, and all of the CSI's employees and agents from any and all actions, claims, causes of action, demands, or expenses for damages or injuries, whether asserted or unasserted, known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, arising out of this Agreement.

- D. The Respondents specifically and affirmatively waive a contested case hearing and all rights to appeal under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act, Mont. Code Ann. § 2-4-101, et seq., and elect to resolve this matter on the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- II. All parties to this Agreement stipulate and consent as follows:
- A. The Commissioner and the CSI have jurisdiction over the subject matter of the above-entitled proceeding.
- B. Under authority of the Code, the CSI hereby agrees that it will not initiate any civil, criminal, or administrative action against the Respondents regarding the allegations contained in this action.
- C. This Agreement is entered without adjudication of any issue, law or fact. It is entered into solely for the purpose of resolving the CSI's allegations and is not intended to be used for any other purpose. For any person or entity not a party to this Agreement, this Agreement does not limit or create any private rights or remedies against the Respondents, including limit or create of liability of Respondents, or limit or create defenses of Respondents, to any claims.
- D. The applicable statute of limitation, Mont. Code Ann. § 33-1-707, is tolled for two years from the date of execution of this Agreement with regard to the allegations set forth above. In the event Respondents violate the terms of this Agreement at any time during the two-year tolling period, the CSI reserves the right to seek additional fines.
- E. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and no other promises or agreements, either express or implied, have been made by the CSI

or by any member, officer, agent or representative of the CSI to induce Respondents to enter into this Agreement.

- F. This Agreement may not be modified orally, and any subsequent modifications to this Agreement must be mutually agreed upon in writing to be effective.
- G. This Agreement shall be incorporated into and made a part of the attached Final Order issued by the Commissioner herein.
 - H. This Agreement shall be effective upon signing of the Final Order.
- I. The Agreement is a public record under Montana law and, as such, may not be sealed or otherwise withheld from the public.

DATED this 17 day of March, 2012

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF SECURITIES AND INSURANCE, MONTANA STATE AUDITOR

By: RRETT O'NEIL

Attorney for the CSI

DATED this 19th day of March, 2012

LAWRENCE L. SKAWINSKI

DATED this var day of march, 2012

LAWRENCE R. SKAWINSKI

FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to the authority vested by Mont. Code Ann. § 2-4-603 and § 33-1-101, et seq., and upon review of the foregoing Consent Agreement, and good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the foregoing Consent Agreement between the CSI and Respondents Lawrence L. Skawinski and Lawrence R. Skawinski is adopted as if set forth fully herein.

DATED this 19 Th day of Market , 2012.

MONICA J. LINDEEN

Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor

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Deputy Insurance Commissioner

cc. Brett O'Neil